

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HJR 655

January 31, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes amending Article II of the Constitution of Tennessee to authorize the Legislature to appoint special counsel to investigate, indict, and prosecute criminal conduct allegations committed by state and local officials, departments, and agencies. Special counsel shall be authorized by a joint resolution and adopted by a two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House of the General Assembly. Authorizes the termination of the special counsel by joint resolution adopted by a majority vote of all members elected to each House of the General Assembly.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$9,100/One-Time

Assumptions:

- The Secretary of State will publish the proposed amendment.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures for publishing costs is estimated to be \$9,100 based on the cost of recent publications incurred by the Secretary of State.
- Any increase in state expenditures to prepare a copy of this resolution is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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